PUBLIC NOTICE

PERMIT APPLICATION: NRS06.246

APPLICANT: Hidden Lakes Resorts, LLC

P. O. Box 727

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LOCATION: Vick Branch, tributary to Dry Fork Creek near Ashland City in

Cheatham County 36.2833°N, 87.0411°W USGS Ashland City

(TN) Topo Map

WATERSHED DESCRIPTION: The division has not assessed Vick Branch, however the biological reconnaissance showed the stream to be marginally impaired. The applicant's hydrologic information indicates the stream is spring fed and has perennial flow. It is second order at the point of the proposed impact.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed work consists of reconstruction of an earthen dam and impoundment of the stream. The dam would be reconstructed to its previous contour. The structure would create 2.4 acre reservoir and cover about 1000 feet of stream channel. The dam was breached during a large rain two to three years ago. In the former impoundment area, the stream has cut a channel through sediment deposited behind the dam. This area is dominated by early succession plant species.

The purpose of the lake is for amenity to a planned residential development.

In accordance with the Tennessee Antidegradation Statement (Rule 1200-4-3-.06), the division has determined that the proposed activity will not result in degradation to water quality.

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Robert Baker

No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this permit. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. Written comments must be received within **thirty days of the date that this notice is posted**. Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

Interested persons may also request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing.

The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address for review and/or copying. The department's address is:

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation Division of Water Pollution Control, Natural Resources Section 7th Floor L & C Annex 401 Church Street Nashville, TN 37243 In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments of record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws. In making this decision, a determination will be made regarding the lost value of the resource compared to the value of any proposed mitigation. The department shall consider practicable alternatives to the alteration. The department shall also consider loss of waters or habitat, diminishment in biological diversity, cumulative or secondary impacts to the water resource, and adverse impact to unique, high quality, or impaired waters.



